

NEW JERSEY COMMISSION ON BRAIN INJURY RESEARCH

NOTICE OF GRANT AVAILABILITY

NAME OF GRANT PROGRAM:

New Jersey Commission on Brain Injury Research
Individual Research Grant

GRANT PROGRAM NO. 07-BIR-1**STATUTORY AUTHORITY:**

NJCbir P.L. 2003, c:200, N.J.S.A. 52:9EE-1, et seq

TYPE OF AWARDS TO BE ISSUED:

Cost-Reimbursement Grants

PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS WILL BE USED:

The NJBIRC will fund Individual Research grants that hold promise of developing effective treatments and cures for brain injury caused by traumatic events. All qualifying institutions in the State of New Jersey may apply. The goals of this program are (1) encourage investigators to undertake research on neural protection, repair and regeneration after traumatic brain injury; (2) to encourage scientists with established research programs in related areas to apply their efforts to brain injury research; and (3) to enable researchers with novel scientific and clinical ideas to test them and develop pilot data needed to develop a programmatic area of research that can be supported by additional funding from the National Institutes of Health, and other funding sources.

AMOUNT OF MONEY IN THE GRANT PROGRAM:

Applicants are encouraged to apply for a one-year or two-year award. Maximum funding is up to \$150,000 per year including direct and indirect costs (10% maximum for the latter). Two-year awards are made through one-year contracts. Each funding award within the two-year period will be contingent upon the availability of funds. Second-year support for all Individual Research grants is contingent upon submission and approval of a comprehensive progress report. All progress reports must be favorably reviewed by an independent scientific merit review panel and recommended to the NJCBIR for continued funding. Awards will begin on or about April 16, 2007. The NJCBIR reserves the right to distribute funds among the grants in this program 07-BIR-1 as well as among the NJCBIR's other grant program 07-BIR-2. The NJCBIR reserves the right not to fund any grants in this program 07-BIR-1 to the maximum amount, or not to fund any grant in this program at all. Grant awards to all two programs (07-BIR-01, 07-BIR-02) will not exceed \$4,200,000.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS MUST COMPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

1. Terms and Conditions for the Administration of Grants
2. General and specific Grant Compliance requirements issued by the Granting Agency.
3. Applicable Federal Cost Principles relating to the Applicant

GROUP OR ENTITIES WHICH MAY APPLY FOR THE GRANT PROGRAM:

All qualifying institutions in the State of New Jersey may apply for Individual Research grants under this program. For the purpose of all NJCBIR grants, a qualifying institution is defined as any academic institution, research organization, public or private institution or other entity, located in the State of New Jersey, with a demonstrated capability to conduct grant funded research, and specifically approved by the vote of the Commission, but in no event can an individual be a qualifying institution. All applicants, organizations/institutions must be located within the State of New Jersey.

QUALIFICATIONS NEEDED BY APPLICANT TO BE CONSIDERED FOR A GRANT:

For both the Individual Research Grants and Programmatic Multi-Investigator Project Grants the Principal Investigators must be affiliated with a New Jersey State academic institution, research organization, public or private agency or other entity with demonstrated capability to conduct research responsibly. The principal investigator will hold an M.D., Ph.D. or equivalent advanced degree in a related scientific field. Unaffiliated individuals will not be funded. Individuals of any nationality or citizenship status may apply, provided they are employed by or affiliated with a qualified New Jersey State organization/institution.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

Applications and NJCBIR Research Guidelines governing grants are available from the NJCBIR office, or can be downloaded from the website at www.nj.gov/health/njcbir. Review and the awarding of grants will occur once a cycle.

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DEADLINE BY WHICH APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED:

Letter of Intent – September 2, 2006
Applications - October 2, 2006

DATE BY WHICH APPLICANT SHALL BE NOTIFIED WHETHER THEY WILL RECEIVE FUNDS:

March 19, 2007

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